

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Town of Brownfield
May 25, 2010

Selectmen Present: Carol Brooks, Erik Walker and Cindy Willets

Others Present: Frank & Alvina Day, Michelle Day and Richard Perreault

The Selectmen opened their workshop portion of the meeting at 5:00 P.M. Upon completing paperwork, the business portion of the meeting opened at 6:12 P.M.

Frank Day reported on week ending May 21st. Monday was spent cutting brush on Old County Road and performing ditch work on Walter Blake Road. Half of Tuesday was spent cutting brush on Old County Road before the crew moved up to Hi Vista Road where they spent the rest of the week cutting brush and performing ditch work in preparation for paving. Frank also graded Dugway Road, Burnt Meadow Road and Thurston Road on Wednesday. Frank met with an MMA Insurance Rep. on Thursday to update records. Ernie is on vacation this week and Frank will be taking some vacation time over the summer. Frank met with Michelle Delucia on Center Conway Road and found out that the water runoff problem is not something new. The State will be doing ditch work and replacing culverts as they prepare for paving and hopefully this will help with some of her problem. A thank you to Erik and those that have helped him to take care of the outlying cemeteries to keep them looking respectful. American flags have been put up in time for Memorial Day Weekend.

Chief Perreault reported that the Department had a couple of runs. One was a call of a phone line down on Pig Street. They were able to tack the wire up on the garage until Fairpoint can repair it. The other call was a serious motorcycle accident on Saturday on Spring Street. Dickie thanked Frank for allowing Ernie to come unlock the Fire Station building and escort the MMA Rep. while he did an insurance inspection.

Dave Kinsman was in attendance to give an update on the Mountain Division Trail Alliance. This trail system will eventually extend from Portland all the way to Fryeburg running alongside the railroad tracks. This trail offers a safe area for walkers, joggers, bicyclists, horseback riders and, in the winter time, snowmobiling and cross country skiing. In 1994, Guilford Transportation abandoned 45 miles of tracks between Windham and Fryeburg. In 1997, a portion of these tracks was purchased. Nine communities along the way are now connected via this system. Seven miles of trail has been developed and paved and is experiencing tremendous use. These trails are for "non-motorized" traffic except for snowmobiles in the winter in Maine. This land is DOT property so no easements are required. The railroad tracks are being kept for possible re-opening of train travel. Recently, another five miles of track was purchased between Windham and Westbrook. Work is expected to start on the section of track at the Maine/NH state line and continue into Fryeburg. The next section would be to Porter Road and then to the Fryeburg Airport. This work was stalled due to some wetland issues in the vicinity that should be cleared up in the near future. The money for this work comes from federal highway road funds. The Selectmen are being asked to again sign a letter of support/updated application stating that Brownfield is indeed still

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interested in continuing this trail system once more funds become available. The joint application signed in 2006 between Fryeburg and Brownfield received unprecedented support.

Next on the agenda was the opening of the mowing bids. Four were received ranging from \$6,000 to \$11,250. After reviewing that each bid was complete, the Selectmen decided to remove the highest and lowest bid and then chose the lower of the two remaining bids. Carol made a motion that was seconded by Erik to award the mowing contract from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2013 to Dale Verrill of Brownfield in the amount of \$7,950 for the three years. The motion passed two in favor -- one abstaining.

Cindy made a motion that was seconded by Erik to move forward with the refinancing of the Town's loan to be completed by June 29th of this year. All were in favor. The Selectmen signed the appropriate paperwork authorizing this refinancing and also authorized the Treasurer to move all banking business to Bangor Savings Bank. These changes were deemed in the best interests of the Town.

Since the bid process for the tax acquired property on Riverbend Road was not successful and after reviewing the estimates given by several local realtors, Erik made a motion that was seconded by Carol to offer the listing of this property to Nubi Duncan of Badger Realty. All were in favor.

For the summer, the Selectmen discussed going to an every-other-Tuesday Selectmen's Meeting during the summer. Cindy made a motion that was seconded by Erik to have the Selectmen meet on the following dates. All were in favor. On the weeks that there is no meeting, the Selectmen will come in at their convenience to sign paperwork.

**June 1st, June 15th, June 29th, July 13th, July 27th, August 10th,
August 24th and September 7th**

The property previously owned by the Carpenters on Hampshire Road has been sold and appears to be in the process of being cleaned up. The two properties on Pequawket Trail that were foreclosed on are being offered back to the previous owners. Carol made a motion that was seconded by Erik to deed the properties back for the amount of back taxes plus the estimated amount of 2010-2011 taxes. All were in favor.

Erik made a motion that was seconded by Carol to adjourn at 7:25 P.M. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Watkins
Town Administrator

SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Town of Brownfield
June 8, 2010

Selectmen Present: Carol Brooks, Erik Walker and Cindy Willets

Others Present: Scott Lovejoy (Lovejoy & Wadsworth Insurance Agency)

The Selectmen called the meeting to order at 5:05 P.M. to meet with Scott Lovejoy to review the insurance quote provided regarding the Town's property & casualty coverage. The Town currently has all of its insurance coverage with MMA. After the meeting ended and Mr. Lovejoy left, the Selectmen reviewed the additional information provided. Erik made a motion that was seconded by Carol to accept the bid supplied by Lovejoy & Wadsworth Insurance Agency in the amount of \$16,300 for the fiscal year July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. All were in favor. Mr. Lovejoy will also be asked to give a bid on the Town's worker's compensation insurance when it is up for renewal at year-end.

The Selectmen next discussed a land use violation on Mountain View Avenue. Carol made a motion that was seconded by Erik to have the CEO work with the property owner to get the violation corrected. The Selectmen have authorized the CEO to expend up to \$750 in order to get a pole and power run to the home in order to have the old building removed. The property owner must agree to a re-payment plan with the Town. In the event that the property owner does not comply with the above, a